

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Serial No. 973,741

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HIGH EFFICIENCY INVERTER AND BALLAST CIRCUITS

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## AMENDMENT B

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C.

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of July 21, 1980, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

p.9, line 3, after "43" insert a comma(,); and

p.11, line 12, change " $t_3$ " to  $-t_4$ - and change " $t_4$ " to -t<sub>5</sub>-.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice amended) In an inverter for producing an AC output voltage from a source of DC voltage connected therewith and having a pair of alternately conducting switching transistors, each having a base and being connected with said DC voltage source, an improved drive circuit for said transistors, comprising:

first means connected with the bases of the transistors for alternately providing drive signals thereto, said first means including an output winding of a first current transformer and being responsive to conduction of the conducting one of said transistors for applying a positive feedback signal thereto;

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